



The Newsletter of the High Country, Tolland Massachusetts

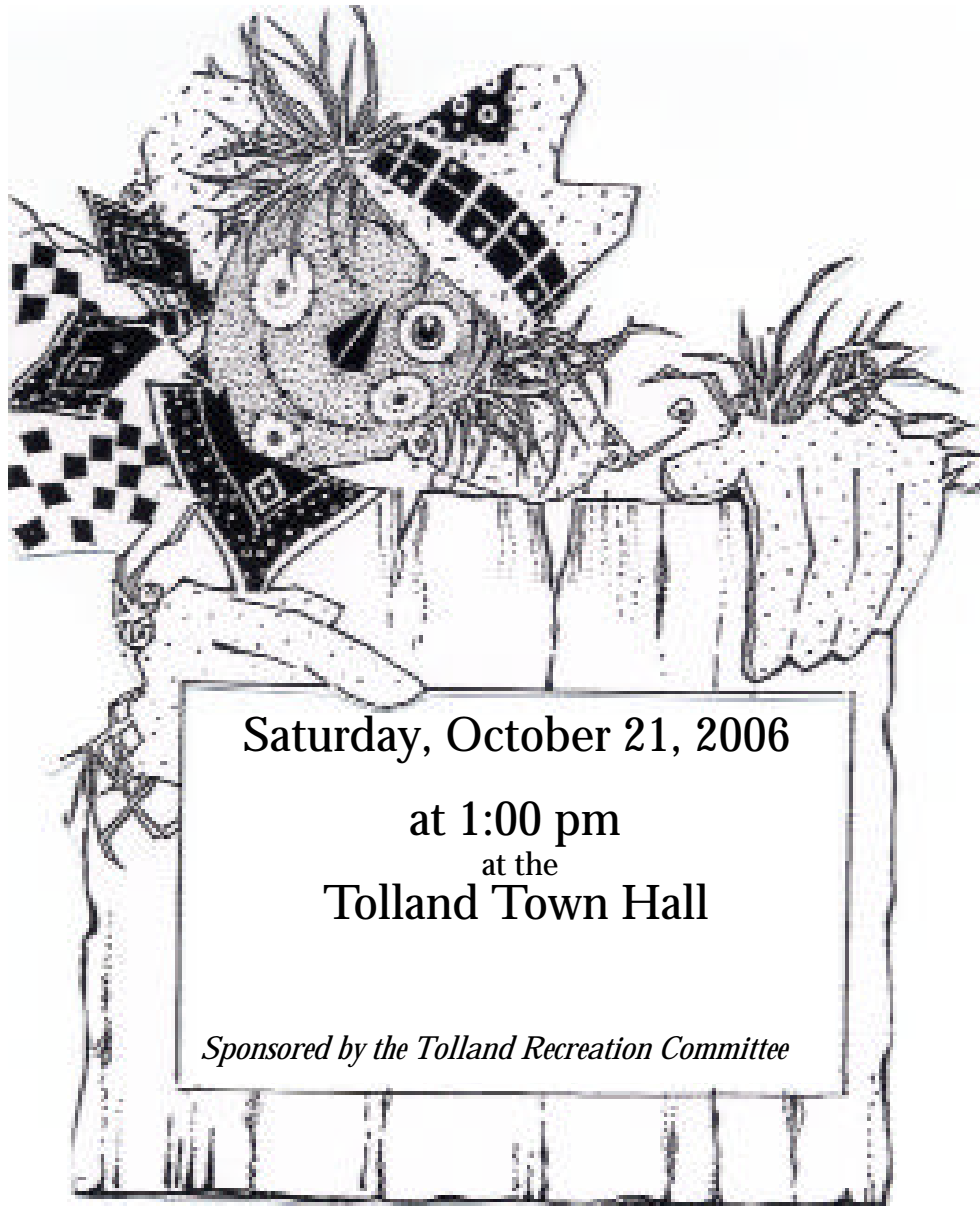
The Tolland Tattler

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Calling all Ghosts and Goblins!

- Hayride to the Pumpkin Patch • Pumpkin Hunt • Pumpkin Carving



Congratulations!

The Granville Tolland Citizens' Scholarship Foundation recently awarded \$ 18,846.00 in scholarships to 26 deserving full time college undergraduates for the 2006-2007 academic year. We are pleased to announce the following recipients and the schools they will be attending this fall:

Melissa Bergen	Fashion Institute of Design & Merchandising
Chadwick Berndt	Vermont Technical College
Amber Bitso	Westfield State College
Kaile Blaze	Bethany College
Brittany Canfield	University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Michelle Canfield	Salve Regina College
Hillary Carl	Northwestern Connecticut Community College
Ashley B. Clark	School of Visual Arts
Douglas Gladding	University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth
Shane Gladding	University of Massachusetts - Dartmouth
Rebecca Hauff	Lyndon State College
Seth Hodges	University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Jonathan Holmes	University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Nathaniel Holmes	University of Massachusetts - Amherst
Mike Kornely	St. Michael's College
Timothy McGorty	Palm Beach Atlantic University
Christina McGorty	Westfield State College
Kristin Robtoy	Holyoke Community College
John Sadowski	Central Connecticut State University
Justin Simeone	University of Mary Washington
Tina Simonds	Springfield Technical Community College
Jared Stromgren	Massachusetts College of Pharmacy & Health Sciences
Rachel Teter	Arcadia University
Christy Wezowicz	Endicott College

We would also like to recognize Cheryl Skibski, who will be attending Florida Institute of Technology and Zachary Banks, who will be attending Westfield State College for this year's recipients of 1st Lt. Travis Fuller Memorial Scholarships.

Funding for this year's scholarships comes from fundraisers including our Annual Spring Phonathon, the Rock-A-Thon, Black Fly Day, and Harvest Fair; donations from the Granville Village School Dress Down Day; and the Granville Village School Student Council as well as from the Katherine Phelon Memorial Scholarship Fund, the Dorothy Miller Scholarship Trust and the 1st Lt. Travis Fuller Memorial Scholarship Fund.

We would like to once again thank all who have donated to the Granville Tolland Citizens' Scholarship Foundation. Your generosity goes a long way toward helping our recipients achieve their higher education goals and ambitions.

Congratulations and best of luck to our Scholarship Recipients!

From the Board of Selectmen

Re: Citizen Participation in Selectmen's Meetings:

The board will only recognize those individuals or groups who have contacted the Administrative Assistant to be placed on the meetings agenda by noon of that Monday's meeting. The board may also limit the amount of time allowed for individuals to speak. Also, it is requested that you state the purpose of your visit so that the board can plan accordingly.

- Walk-ins may be recognized if time allows at the end of the meeting.
- No appointments will be taken on the third Monday of each month.
- The Selectmen meet every Monday night at the town hall at 5:00 pm.

Fire Department News



The meetings/drills for the month of October are the following Tuesday nights: October 3rd and October 17th from 7:00 p.m. until 10:00 p.m. Anyone who wishes to stop by the firehouse during this time, please feel free to do so.

Order forms for the reflective house number signs can be picked up at the Town Hall during their business hours.

There will be a First Responder course held in the month of November. Should anyone be interested in attending please contact us at the Firehouse at 258-2859 by the end of October.

A reminder for everyone. Daylight savings ends on Sunday October 29th. Time to change the batteries in your smoke detectors and CO2 detectors.

Anyone interested in becoming a volunteer firefighter or first responder, please call me at my office at 258-2859 or at my home at 258-4094 or just stop by during one of our meeting/drill nights.

Responses for the months of August and September:

August:

- 2 Medical Calls
- 1 False Alarm

September:

- 1 Medical Call
- 1 Wires Down
- 2 Mutual Aid calls to Town of Sandisfield

Chief Robert Littlefield, Sr.

Tolland/Granville COA

Local SHINE Counselor Has New Telephone Number...

Seniors from the Southern Hilltowns (Middlefield, Montgomery, Russell, Tolland, Granville, Blandford, Huntington, and Chester) who have questions about health benefits such as the Prescription Advantage Program now in an open enrollment period, can contact local SHINE Counselor, Marilyn Riddle, of Granville, at the following new telephone number—413-357-6103. Marilyn will discuss questions over the phone or will make individual appointments with seniors. Appointments with Marilyn can also be made at the Southwick Senior Center by calling 413-569-5498. A SHINE Counselor is also available by appointment at the Westfield Senior Center by calling 413-562-6435 or 562-9624. Persons can also call the Regional SHINE office at 1-800-498-4232. SHINE stands for “Serving the Health Information Needs of Elders,” and is a program sponsored by the state Executive Office of Elder Affairs. SHINE counselors are volunteers who receive rigorous and regularly updated training in order to counsel Massachusetts seniors.

Granville COA Hosts Registry of Motor Vehicles Program for Elders on Oct. 2

The Granville Council on Aging is offering the Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles program, “Shifting Gears,” a presentation on elder driving safety, on Monday, October 2, 2006 from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. at the Granville Town Hall, 707 Granville Rd. The presentation is part of the regular Senior Monday program offered by the COA on the first Mondays of the month. Persons who attend the presentation will also receive driving safety tips, information on how to deal with unsafe drivers, and information on obtaining disability plates and placards. Refreshments will be served. The program is open to elders from other towns in the area. Please call Kathy Martin, COA Co-Chair, at 413-377-8585, for more information.

Granville Federated Church, American Baptist & United Church of Christ

16 Granby Road, Granville, MA 01034—Phone 413-357-8583

- October 7, 8, 9, HARVEST FAIR DAYS, will find the Fellowship Hall bursting with outside crafters, lunch, and a church tag and bake sale. Apple pies will be a feature on the Ladies Aid bake sale table with many other culinary delights offered. A coffee shop will be set up in front of the church.
- Saturday, Oct. 8, our usual potluck supper will be replaced with a local restaurant meal because of the above activities. Details to be announced.
- The Ladies Aid will meet for a potluck luncheon at noon Wed., Oct. 18. A meeting will follow.
- Looking ahead: Sunday, afternoon, Nov. 12, a dedication of the new organ is planned. This is a grand pipe organ given to the church by Richard Brown in memory of Ethel. Plan to attend for a musical treat!
- Monday—7pm-AA Meeting
- Sunday—10am-Morning Worship & Sunday School
- Thursday—7pm-Adult Choir Practice
- First Saturday—6pm-Potluck Supper (usually; please see above for Oct.)
- Third Sunday—8:30-9:30am-Breakfast served in Fellowship Hall
- Third Wednesday—Noon-Ladies Aid Potluck Luncheon & Meeting
- Fourth Sunday—11:15am—Adult Study Program led by the Rev. McMahan

All are welcome

Veterans, Corner

I would like to start by saying that your donations of T-shirts has been a big success. It just goes to show how many people read my articles. The response has been GREAT! PLEASE PLEASE, keep those T-shirts, water bottles, and hats coming. One of our own wounded soldiers from town here, was the one who inspired us to make this drive. We have a contact in both hospitals in the D. C. area who were very excited that we were doing this collection of items. So with that said, send 1, send a dozen, I,ll come pick these items up. Keep those items coming!

Also in support of our T-shirt, hat and water bottle drive, Mr Joe Mineo donated \$100.00 to help us pay for shipping. That was his way of showing his support for our veterans,. Thank You Joe!

Just another reminder: Mass. Governor,s Advisory Committee on Women Veterans, Cordially invites you to attend their annual luncheon SATURDAY, October 14, 2006, 12 NOON, Hanscom Air Force Base Officer,s Club. \$20.00 per person. Contact Stephanie Landry,

290 Newport Rd. Hull, MA 02045. (781-925-4486) or Stephanie.Landry@hou.state.ma.us

Now that we are in the fall season, this office will be going to the hill towns even more for our outreach program. The first Monday of every month we will be in Granville Town Hall from 9:00- 12:00. The first Friday of every month we will be in Southwick Town Hall from 8:30- 12:00. We will be there for any veterans or spouses who might need our assistance with veterans issues. We will also go to Tolland by appointment or as needed. We do house calls!

Support our Troops, God Bless America.....*Ed Kellogg, Director,. Dep't.. of Veterans' services*

The Tolland Ladies Club

The Tolland Ladies Club wishes to inform women of Tolland about our group. We've been in existence for 123 years...talk about changes!

The Ladies Club is a social group whose prime focus is having a good time visiting with friends and neighbors. We also sponsor the 'Bertha Fowler Hale Scholarship Fund' which we actively support through fund-raising events. Our group also sponsors children's holiday parties which are sometimes shared with other town groups.

Up-coming events and meeting dates are posted in the Tolland Tattler. Don't forget the Tattler-on-line...www.tolland-ma.gov/

The Tolland Ladies Club

will meet

Thursday, October 12th, at 7:30

at the home of

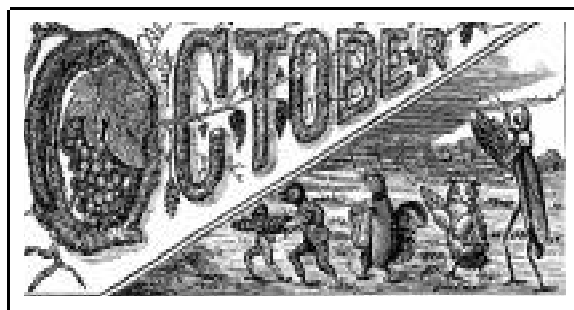
Shirley Warner,
790 Colebrook River Road

Town Hall Hours:

- Mon. & Tues. - 8:00am to 4:00pm
- Wed. from 8:00am to 12pm

Assessor Clerk's hours : Monday 10am-4pm

Town Clerk hours: Monday 1 - 4pm



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 <hr/> 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	2 5:00pm Selectmen	3 7:00-10:00pm Fire Dept. Mtg. / Drill	4 <hr/> 5-7:00pm DUMP	5	6	7 <hr/> 9 - 11:00 am DUMP
8 <hr/> 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	9	10	11 <hr/> 5-7:00pm DUMP	12 7:30pm Tolland Woman's Club	13	14 <hr/> 9 - 11:00 am DUMP
15 <hr/> 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	16 5:00pm Selectmen 7:00pm Planning Board	17 7:00-10:00pm Fire Dept. Mtg. / Drill	18 <hr/> 5-7:00pm DUMP	19	20	21 <hr/> 9 - 11:00 am DUMP
22 <hr/> 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	23 5:00pm Selectmen	24	25 <hr/> 5-7:00pm DUMP	26	27	28 <hr/> 9 - 11:00 am DUMP
29 <hr/> 3:00 - 7:00 pm DUMP	30 5:00pm Selectmen	31 1:00pm Board of Assessors	Building Inspector will be meeting by appointment only. Appointments can be made by calling 258-4590.			
				LIBRARY HOURS: Mon. 3:00pm - 8:30pm Thurs. 11:00am - 4:00pm Sat. 10:00am - 12:00pm		

The Sandisfield Historical Society is holding a
Cemetery Tour and Benefit Halloween Party

to raise funds for building and grounds maintenance and improvement. These funds will also enable the Society to present more events, such as the talk and story of the antique organ restoration & music demo presented at the Nilson home; the Flood of '55 at the Meeting House, and this year the 1815 re-enactment of the Smith-Hewlit wedding which was presented in July on the original Hewlit Homestead. The theme of the Historical Society this year is "History Can Be Fun".

The cemetery tour will begin at 7pm on Saturday, October 28. Come to learn about some of Sandisfield's former residents, (or current residents, but in a more ethereal form). In the 'spirit' of Halloween, why not wear your costume to the cemetery. Following the tour there will be a Benefit Halloween Party at 8pm at the newly completed home of Jane Hason on New Hartford Road. Come to party in her 'great room' overlooking the marsh for fun, prizes, delicious refreshments and surprises. Val Coleman will tell one of his wonderful stories written just for this event. Bring your scary stories or just come and have fun. In or out of costume, everyone is invited.

Tour: 7pm- \$5 non-members/free to members. Benefit Party: 8pm- \$25/person, (tour included).

Call Connie Canty for cemetery location and reservations: 413 258-4912

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